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7. (Amended) A liquid-crystalline medium comprising at least two liquid-crystalline components, wherein at least one component is a phenylcyclohexane of formula I according to claim 1.

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8. (Amended) An electrooptical display based on a liquid-crystal cell, wherein the liquid-crystal cell contains a medium according to claim 7.

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Please cancel claims 2-6 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add the following new claims:

~~9.~~ 9. (New) A phenylcyclohexane according to claim 1, wherein Q^1 and Q^2 are H and A is trans-1,4-cyclohexylene.

10. (New) A phenylcyclohexane according to claim 1, wherein n is 0.

0 ✓ 11. (New) A phenylcyclohexane according to claim 1, wherein n is 1.

12. (New) A liquid-crystalline medium comprising at least two liquid-crystalline components, wherein at least one component is a phenylcyclohexane of formula I according to claim 9.

13. (New) An electrooptical display based on a liquid-crystal cell, wherein the liquid-crystal cell contains a medium according to claim 12.

14. (New) A liquid-crystalline medium comprising at least two liquid-crystalline components, wherein at least one component is a phenylcyclohexane of formula I according to claim 10.

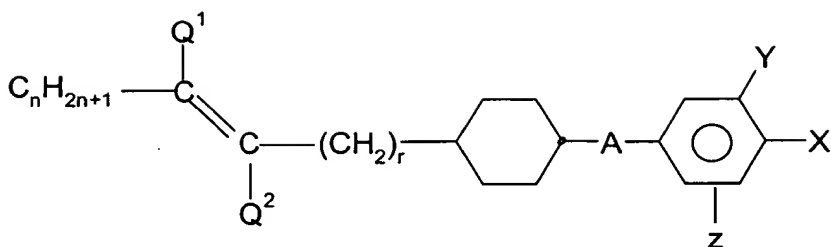
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cont 15. (New) An electrooptical display based on a liquid-crystal cell, wherein the liquid-crystal cell contains a medium according to claim 14.

0 16. (New) A liquid-crystalline medium comprising at least two liquid-crystalline components, wherein at least one component is a phenylcyclohexane of formula I according to claim 11.

0 17. (New) An electrooptical display based on a liquid-crystal cell, wherein the liquid-crystal cell contains a medium according to claim 16.

18. (New) A phenylcyclohexane of formula I

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19. (New) A phenylcyclohexane according to claim 18, wherein Q^1 and Q^2 are H and A is trans-1,4-cyclohexylene.

20. (New) A phenylcyclohexane according to claim 18, wherein n is 0.

21. (New) A phenylcyclohexane according to claim 18, wherein n is 1.

22. (New) A phenylcyclohexane according to claim 18, wherein X and Y are F and Z is H.

23. (New) A phenylcyclohexane according to claim 18, wherein Z is F.

24. (New) A liquid-crystalline medium comprising at least two liquid-crystalline components, wherein at least one component is a phenylcyclohexane of formula I according to claim 18.

25. (New) An electrooptical display based on a liquid-crystal cell, wherein the liquid-crystal cell contains a medium according to claim 24.

26. (New) A liquid-crystalline medium comprising at least two liquid-crystalline components, wherein at least one component is a phenylcyclohexane of formula I according to claim 19.

27. (New) An electrooptical display based on a liquid-crystal cell, wherein the liquid-crystal cell contains a medium according to claim 26.

28. (New) A liquid-crystalline medium comprising at least two liquid-crystalline components, wherein at least one component is a phenylcyclohexane of formula I according to claim 20.

29. (New) An electrooptical display based on a liquid-crystal cell, wherein the liquid-crystal cell contains a medium according to claim 28.

6 30. (New) A liquid-crystalline medium comprising at least two liquid-crystalline components, wherein at least one component is a phenylcyclohexane of formula I according to claim 21.

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CONF 31. (New) An electrooptical display based on a liquid-crystal cell, wherein the liquid-crystal cell contains a medium according to claim 30.

32. (New) A liquid-crystalline medium comprising at least two liquid-crystalline components, wherein at least one component is a phenylcyclohexane of formula I according to claim 22.

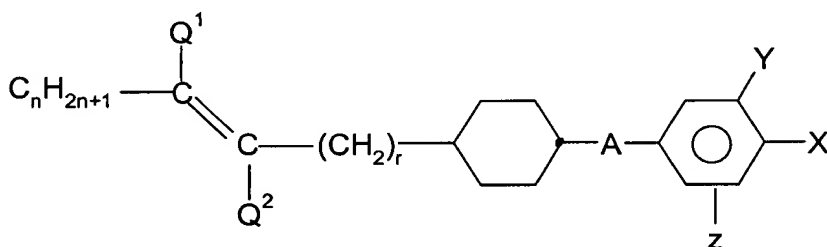
33. (New) An electrooptical display based on a liquid-crystal cell, wherein the liquid-crystal cell contains a medium according to claim 32.

34. (New) A liquid-crystalline medium comprising at least two liquid-crystalline

components, wherein at least one component is a phenylcyclohexane of formula I according to claim 23.

35. (New) An electrooptical display based on a liquid-crystal cell, wherein the liquid-crystal cell contains a medium according to claim 34.

36. (New) A phenylcyclohexane of formula I



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37. (New) A phenylcyclohexane according to claim 36, wherein Q^1 and Q^2 are H and A is trans-1,4-cyclohexylene.

38. (New) A phenylcyclohexane according to claim 36, wherein n is 0.

39. (New) A phenylcyclohexane according to claim 36, wherein n is 1.

40. (New) A phenylcyclohexane according to claim 36, wherein X and Y are F and Z is H.

41. (New) A phenylcyclohexane according to claim 36, wherein Z is F.

42. (New) A liquid-crystalline medium comprising at least two liquid-crystalline components, wherein at least one component is a phenylcyclohexane of formula I according to claim 36.

43. (New) An electrooptical display based on a liquid-crystal cell, wherein the liquid-crystal cell contains a medium according to claim 42.

44. (New) A liquid-crystalline medium comprising at least two liquid-crystalline components, wherein at least one component is a phenylcyclohexane of formula I according to claim 37.

45. (New) An electrooptical display based on a liquid-crystal cell, wherein the liquid-crystal cell contains a medium according to claim 44.

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cont. 46. (New) A liquid-crystalline medium comprising at least two liquid-crystalline components, wherein at least one component is a phenylcyclohexane of formula I according to claim 38.

47. (New) An electrooptical display based on a liquid-crystal cell, wherein the liquid-crystal cell contains a medium according to claim 46.

48. (New) A liquid-crystalline medium comprising at least two liquid-crystalline components, wherein at least one component is a phenylcyclohexane of formula I according to claim 39.

49. (New) An electrooptical display based on a liquid-crystal cell, wherein the liquid-crystal cell contains a medium according to claim 48.

50. (New) A liquid-crystalline medium comprising at least two liquid-crystalline components, wherein at least one component is a phenylcyclohexane of formula I according to claim 40.

51. (New) An electrooptical display based on a liquid-crystal cell, wherein the liquid-crystal cell contains a medium according to claim 50.

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cont. 52. (New) A liquid-crystalline medium comprising at least two liquid-crystalline components, wherein at least one component is a phenylcyclohexane of formula I according to claim 41.

53. (New) An electrooptical display based on a liquid-crystal cell, wherein the liquid-crystal cell contains a medium according to claim 52.--
